Minutes – TEEM meeting 14 September 2016

Egremont Town Hall ó 9:00 AM

Present: EMD McCormick; V. Murphy; J. Haas; B. McCarter; B. Bernstein Chief Turner; W. Brinker

General:

Minutes of the July 28, 2016 meeting were approved as distributed.

Old Business:

The HTs have been updated and reprogrammed.

New Business:

No new equipment was proposed at this time. The 2015 EMPG first reimbursement session has been finalized.

There was a discussion on the current drought situation. Water supplies seem to be holding but surface water sources are very low if not completely dry. In the event of a large fire there may be a need for a tanker task force.

Communications in the Town between certain locations are sometimes not available. Discussion took place about coordinating through the Berkshire County Dispatch or possibly a local coordinator could be brought into use for those events that put responders in many locations around the Town. (Such as in a storm where there are road closures, power outages, etc.)

There are new regulations for street signs ó the numbering system in use now may have to be changed (street numbers are posted at intersections along the bottom of the sign).

The Council on Aging has produced and distributed emergency telephone number cards so seniors are not calling 911 for information. The COA has also started a Be Seen ó Be Safeøprogram; they are making pedestrians aware of walking along roads and have high visibility vests available from the TRIAD group. TRIAD has also had discussions on distracted/impaired driving; this is seen as a community issue, not just one group or another. Education is important ó walking while wearing earbuds can be dangerous as well.

Miscellaneous:

The payroll warrant was approved.

The next TEEM meeting will be on Wednesday October 19, 2016 at 9:00AM.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45AM.

Respectfully submitted, W. Brinker